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Examining Group. 2814

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Serial No. : 09/899,189

Group Art Unit: 2814 ✓

Filed : July 6, 2001

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For : TRENCH CAPACITOR ISOLATION COLLAR AND CORRESPONDING  
METHOD OF PRODUCTION

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\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
\_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.  
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In response to the Official Action of May 30, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 2, 2003 (August 30, 2003 being a Saturday and September 1, 2003 being a Federal holiday) with the present Response being filed on the two-month due date of response of July 30, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.